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Today's statement by John N. McMahon, Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, is enclosed for your urgent and personal attention. This statement is being delivered to all Members of the Select Committees on Intelligence and Appropriations Defense Subcommittees of both Houses.

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I am anxious to refute the <u>Washington Post</u>'s reference to my views on our Nicaraguan activities which appeared in its 13 April 1984 edition. While Director Casey encourages lively debate on all our intelligence proposals, he and I are of one mind when it comes to Agency programs including those to counter the threat of the Sandinistas to the stability and peace of Central America. This position is also shared among other senior Agency officials.

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